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REP. BARNES SELECTED AS ONE OF NATION'S TOP PRO-GROWTH PROGRESSIVE LEADERS

MADISON – Today, Wisconsin State Representative Mandela Barnes (D – Milwaukee) was selected as one of the twelve leaders from across the country to join the NewDEAL (Developing Exceptional American Leaders), a national network that is committed to highlighting innovative ideas from state and local elected leaders who are pro-growth progressives.

"I congratulate this group of NewDEAL Leaders who have been chosen for their pro-growth policy solutions from the front-lines of government. We are proud to highlight these leaders from across the country with innovative ideas to make government more efficient and effective," said Senator Mark Warner (D-VA), Honorary Co-Chair of the NewDEAL.

"Year after year, the NewDEAL identifies remarkable state and local leaders who have a proven-track record of innovative solutions. These elected officials have fresh ideas about how we can meet the challenges of the 21st Century. I'm glad they've been given the distinction and the support that the NewDEAL network provides," said Governor Jack Markell (D-DE), Honorary Co-Chair of the NewDEAL.

"I am proud to be recognized by the NewDEAL for my work to expand opportunity and make government more effective for the communities we serve," said Rep. Barnes. "I look forward to sharing ideas with my fellow NewDEAL Leaders, hearing about what is working best in their communities, and replicating that progressive growth here in Wisconsin."

Rep. Barnes is currently featured on the NewDEAL's interactive website at <http://www.newdealleaders.org/leaders>.

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